

**State of California
Department of Parks and Recreation**

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO: Office of Planning and Research
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Sacramento, CA 95814

FROM: Department of Parks and Recreation
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PROJECT TITLE: Percolation Tests and Soil Profiles - North Grove Sewer System

LOCATION: Calaveras Big Trees State Park

COUNTY: Calaveras

DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT:

Conduct percolation testing and soil profiles for new leach field at North Grove in Calaveras Big Trees State Park. Project will include two soil profile holes to be dug by backhoe, approx. 8' deep, and approximately twelve holes to be dug by auger or posthole digger for percolation tests, 6" in diameter and 3' deep. In the event that previously undocumented cultural resources are encountered during project construction (including but not limited to dark soil containing shellfish, bone, flaked stone, groundstone, or deposits of historic trash), work within the immediate vicinity of the find will be temporarily halted or diverted until a DPR-qualified cultural resource specialist has evaluated the find and implemented appropriate treatment and disposition of the artifact(s).

PUBLIC AGENCY APPROVING THE PROJECT: California Department of Parks and Recreation

NAME OF DIVISION OR DISTRICT CARRYING OUT THE PROJECT: Northern Service Center

EXEMPT STATUS:

- ☐ Declared Emergency (Section 15269(a))
☐ Emergency Project (Section 15269(b) and (c))
☐ Statutory Exemption (Section:)
☒ Categorical Exemption Class: 6 Section: 15306

REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT:

Project consists of basic data collection and resource evaluation activities that would not result in a serious or major disturbance to an environmental resource (included as "percolation tests" in the Department of Parks and Recreation's list of exempt activities, in accordance with CCR § 15300.4).

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